राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों से ऋण प्राप्त करने हेतु आवेदन किया था;

(ख) उक्त बैंकों द्वारा कितनी धनराशि के ऋण स्वीकृत और संवितरित किये गये;

(ग) इस संबंध में कितने आवेदन पत्र लम्बित पड़े हैं; और

(घ) शेष आवेदन पत्रों का निपटान कब तक कर दिये जाने की संभावना है?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम॰ पी॰ वीरेन्द्र कुमार): (क) से (ग) विस्तृत ब्यौरा दर्शाने वाला विवरण अनुपत्र में दिया गया है **[देखिए परिशिष्ट 180, अनुपत्र सं॰ 24]**

(घ) मंजूरी और संवितरण एक सतत प्रक्रिया है और कार्यक्रम वाले वर्ष के अंत की स्थिति के अनुसार लम्बित शेष आवेदनों को मंजूरी के लिए अगले वर्ष लिया जाता है। प्राथमिकता क्षेत्र (पीएमआरवाई सहित) अग्रिमों के बारे में भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक द्वारा जारी वर्तमान दिशानिर्देशों के अनुसार, 25,000/- रुपए तक की ऋण सीमा वाले मामले को एक पखवाड़े के भीतर और 25,000/- रुपए से अधिक की ऋण सीमा वाले मामलों को 8 से 9 सप्ताह के भीतर निपटाया जाना होता है।

Announcement regarding 100% Tax Holiday by former Finance Minister

1106. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the former Finance Minister in his budget speech for the year 1994-95 announced 100% tax holiday for initial five years assessment in respect of units to be put up in an industrially backward district in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that three years have passed and Government have not notified the industrially backward districts in the country to enable the industrial unit to take advantage of 100% tax holiday under Income Tax Section 80-IA(2)(iv(c) of the Income Tax Act, 1996; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) The Finance Act, 1994 provided for 100% tax holiday for initial five years in case of industrial undertakings located in notified industrially backward districts, if the undertaking begins to manufacture or produce articles or things or to operate its cold storage plant or plants from 1.10.1994 to 31.3.1999. This tax holiday is provided under Section 80-IA of the Income-tax Act, 1961.

(b) and (c) A study group was constituted in the Ministry of Finance for identification of industrially backward districts for the purpose of granting 100% tax holiday under Section 80-IA of the Income-tax Act. The study group submitted its report in October, 1994. Later, another review group was constituted to review the report of the study group. The review study group has submitted its report and the same is under the consideration of the Government for notifying the industrially bacward districts of the country.

Criteria for filling up of posts of AGM (Scale-V) in State Bank of Indore

1107. SHRI GOVIND RAM MIRI:
SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether about eight posts of AGMs (Scale-V) were filled up by the State Bank of Indore during the last four months from amongst the Regional Managers (Scale IV);

(b) if so, the criteria for filling up these posts and whether all the promotees fulfilled the laid down criteria;

(c) whether there were any complaints of corruption, mismanagement and nepotism against any of the promotee RM's;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether any inquiry into these complaints were made before such promotion; if so, the outcome thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons for not holding any inquiry before named were cleared for promotion.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) to (f) Information is being collected and to the extent available, will be laid on the Table of the House.

Decline in revenue collection

1108. SHRI N. THAIAVAI SUNDARAM:

SHRI S. NIRAIKULATHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the revenue collection during the current financial year has gone down as compared to the corresponding period last year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action Government have taken to ensure increased revenue collection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Omkar Goswami Report on corporate governance

1109. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the recommendations made in the Omkar Goswami Draft report on corporate governance; and

(b) the changes proposed in the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act (SICA) for the debt default?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) and (b) The Omkar Goswami Committee on Corporate Governance has been set up by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and not by the Government. Government has not received any report from CII.

Decline in Credit-Deposit Ratio

1110. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the decline in the credit-deposit ratio in the Eastern Region in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the trend during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to rectify the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) to (c) Credit-Deposit Ration (CDR) of all Scheduled Commercial Banks during the last three years in the Eastern Region comprising the States of Bihar, Orissa, Sikkim, West Bengal and Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, as furnished by Reserve Bank of India (RBI), is given below:

As on the last Friday of	Credit Deposit Ratio (in percentage)
March 1994	44.7
March 1995	47.6
March 1996	47.7

RBI have reported that the low CDR in Eastern Region is mainly due to lack of adequate infrastructural facilities, low credit absorption capacity of the Region, absence of large industries, requisite climate for investment and low recovery position of loans.

(d) RBI have further reported that they had appointed a Task Force to suggest ways and means to improve the CDR in Bihar and West Bengal. The Task Force had made various recommendations. The recommendations are being implemented through the State Level Bontees' Committees

Meagre amount on Health Care in State and Union Territory

1111. SHRI GYAN RANJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY